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**APPROVAL OF UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF DJIBOUTI, ETHIOPIA, SOMALIA, SUDAN AND YEMEN**

IPF:(1987-1991) $ 52 000 000

(RAB/86/028) - Co-ordination of Telecommunications Development (TELDEV)

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| Date of approval: | 11 March 1987 |
| Expected duration: | Three years |
| Proposed executing agency: | ITU |
| Government implementing agency: | Telecommunication Administrations of the participating countries |
| Proposed UNDP contribution: | $ 1 200 000 Source of funds: IPF |
| Total UNDP budget: | $ 1 200 000 |

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## Project background

Since 1973, the above-mentioned countries participated in the Regional European project - Middle East and Mediterranean Telecommunications Network (MEDARABTEL). Based on the findings and recommendations of phase III of this project (RER/85/003) held in September 1986, the participating countries need to properly operate and maintain the networks previously put into service as well as to develop the existing telecommunications networks in the rural areas. To this end UNDP assistance was requested under the present approval.

## Description of project

The long-term objective of the project is to strengthen the technological capacity and human resources development as stipulated in the Fourth Cycle Regional Programme for the Arab States.

The immediate objectives of the project are to: (a) upgrade telecommunication services; and (b) develop telecommunication networks in the least developed countries of the Red Sea Region. Project activities will include: (a) improvement of their technical capabilities in operation maintenance; (b) assisting in the implementation of outstanding telecommunication projects of the Master Plan, carrying out of feasibility studies of some links; and (c) enhancement of participating countries' efforts for provision of rural telecommunications through satellites.

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## Inputs

UNDP will provide a project coordinator (36 man-months), 51 man-months of various consultancies; administrative support; work-shop seminars; and miscellaneous costs.

Governments will provide all necessary personnel and required physical facilities and local transportation for international staff of the project. The proposed host country (Djibouti) expressed its readiness to provide a fully equipped project office, one vehicle and cover the cost of four man-months of consultancy services.

## Financial data

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| Personnel | 900 000 |
| Training | 270 000 |
| Miscellaneous | 30 000 |
| Total | 1 200 000 |

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